

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

LEAD AND COPPER SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

- Samples **MUST** be collected at **different** locations, unless a system does not have enough different sites to fulfill their sampling requirement
- Samples **MUST** be collected from sites where water **may** be consumed (drinking fountains, kitchen sinks, bathroom sinks, break rooms, etc.) Janitor sinks or utility closets are NOT suitable sites for sampling.
- **ALL** samples **MUST** have a **minimum 6-hour** stand time (water must sit in the pipes for a minimum of 6 hours before sample is collected). **NOTE:** If you need to collect multiple samples from a location (i.e. you do not have enough different sites), **DO NOT COLLECT SAMPLES ONE AFTER THE OTHER- THERE MUST BE AT LEAST 6 HOURS STAND TIME BETWEEN SAMPLES COLLECTED AT THE SAME SITE.**
- Lead and copper samples are **first (1st) DRAW** samples. **DO NOT** run the water before collecting the sample. Collect the "1st draw" of water when you turn on the faucet.
- **DO NOT COLLECT** samples from vacant apartments, trailers, etc.

SAMPLING PROCEDURE FOR LEAD & COPPER

1. Run cold water at each sample location tap to flush the line completely.
2. Shut off tap and tape off, etc. to insure faucet is not used for a minimum of 6 hours (recommended stand time is 6-10 hours- longer stand times are not generally representative of normal exposure).
3. Do not remove the faucet aerator.
4. If a sample is taken from a faucet where a water softener is used, note this on the laboratory paperwork (chain of custody).
5. After tap has sat unused for at least 6 hours, place sample bottle under faucet, fill bottle with 1st draw from the cold water tap & close the bottle tightly. Note time of sample collection on chain of custody form.
6. Collect all required samples in the same manner and submit for analysis within 14 days of collection.
7. Fill out laboratory paperwork (chain of custody, etc.) completely and submit with samples.
8. Below is a space for the name, address and time of sample collection for your convenience.

***If you are unsure of how/where/when you should be sampling, please contact the and Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau at 603-271-2516

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

DATE SAMPLE COLLECTED: _____

TIME SAMPLE COLLECTED: _____